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ANCIENT HISTORY

Happening in McKean County in Days of Old, Taken from the Files.

Gen. Grant is still making the rebels—North as well as South—a great deal of trouble, as he prosecutes the grand movement of investing the rebel capital. Since our last issue Grant has moved his whole army across the Chickahominy and James rivers, thereby effecting a junction with Butler, has driven the rebels out of and now occupies Petersburg and holds the territory between the latter place and Richmond. In conjunction with Hunter's forces, who by this time occupy Lynchburg, the commanding general has the rebel capital entirely cut off from supplies and reenforcements from the South. Lee must now either fight, run or starve. An excellent opportunity is now presented Northern rebels to assist their friends with something to eat.

We are informed that a coal vein has been discovered about two miles west of Lafayette Corners, on what is known as the Camp tract. The coal found is of a superior quality and at the out-crop the vein measures three feet of clear coal. This opening is made about a mile south west of the Warren road towards Kinzua creek. The opening of this vein comes in conflict with the prevailing sentiment in reference to the existence of coal in the western sections of our county. For a long time past the opinion has prevailed that coal in sufficient quantities for mining purpose did not exist west of Lafayette. But this recent development shows a vein of sufficient thickness, with an abundance of covering for mining purposes.

The following named persons were applicants for tavern licenses in 1864: Smethport borough, W. P. Goodwin; Wm. Haskell; Bradford township, Enos Parsons; Ceres township, Wm. C. Squires, A. A. Stevens; Eldred township, R. Larrabee; Lafayette township, James R. Davis; Liberty township, E. B. Dolley.

This borough, Keating and Norwich townships were exempt from the recent draft, having furnished their respective quotas under all calls.

Cos. E and H, 58th Regt., from this county were engaged and suffered considerably during the engagements at Cold Harbor. It is with pain that we are called upon to record the death of Henry Hazadorn from Lafayette township. He was a noble youth and the idol of his parents, who will long mourn his loss. They have the heartfelt sympathy of the whole community. Corp. C. Baldwin, Privates C. M. Lawton, F. Loop, C. J. Moses, Milton Griffin and James Baldwin, all of Co. H, were wounded!

From a letter received by us from A. T. Aldrich, who is now in Washington, we learn that Sergt. S. S. King of Co. I, of the Bucktails, is at Mount Pleasant hospital, Ward 10, in that city. His right leg has been amputated between the ankle and knee and he also received a severe, but not dangerous, wound in the right arm. He is very low, but the surgeon in attendance upon him assures Mr. Aldrich that his condition is a hopeful one and that he will in all probability recover.

Among the prominent men who have served their country faithfully and well since this terrible war burst upon it, and who have been compelled to retire from service on account of injuries inflicted by rebel bullets, we have yet to hear of one who does not favor the success of the Baltimore nominees. One of this class of men, Gen. Thomas L. Kane, is now sojourning in this county. A few days since we had the pleasure of hearing him express himself in favor of the re-election of Mr. Lincoln and when informed that the Fremont movement had no supporters among the Union men of this county the general appeared delighted. When such men throw the weight of their influence in favor of the Union nominees, how can they fail?

Died, in Ceres township, McKean county, Pa., on June 17, 1864, Jacob Young, aged 81 years.

A project is on foot to connect New York and Brooklyn by a suspension bridge to cost $3,000,000.

An army letter from Petersburg says that during the fight on Friday one of our boys, either becoming short of ammunition or in the hurry of the engagement, fired the ramrod of his gun from his musket. On the subsequent capture of the works two rebels were found dead and completely transfixed with the iron shaft.

We learn that George Beckwith, son of Ransom Beckwith, Jr., of Keating township, was severely wounded in a recent engagement before Petersburg. He is a member of the 58th Regt. and re-enlisted. We hope he will soon be able to visit his friends.

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JOHN C. HAMLIN.

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CHARLES LEMMLER.

OUR ABLE AND POPULAR REPUBLICAN NOMINEES

Who Ask and Are Entitled to Your Support at the Polls next Tuesday

EMINENT MEN REPRESENTING THE PARTY OF PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY.

A Brief Mention of the Gentlemen Whose Names Appear in the First Column of the Ballot to be Voted Next Tuesday

Samuel W. Pennypacker, candidate for Governor, heads the Republican ticket in Pennsylvania. Mr. Pennypacker is an eminent Philadelphia jurist and a man in this county who believes in pure politics and the glorious principles advocated by the Republican party will can find it in his heart to cast his ballot against John W. Campbell for Member of Assembly. Aside from the integrity and ability of the Republican legislative candidate it must be remembered that a Member of Assembly is to help elect a United States Senator to take the place of Boies Penrose in the United States Senate. It is the imperative duty of every believer in the progressive principles of Republicanism to see that his ballot is registered in favor of the regularly nominated Republican candidates for Members of Assembly. Vote for J. M. McElroy.

FOR MEMBER OF CONGRESS—SOLOMON R. DRESSER.

who after serving a ten years' term on the Common Pleas bench in that city was renominated for a second term by the Republicans. His wise and impartial decisions, his judicial integrity and personal purity during that first term were such that the Democrats admitting that he was of superior character and ability to anyone they could produce, endorsed his nomination and placed his name on their ticket. And now they try to tell you he is not a fit person to fill the Gubernatorial chair. This is Democratic consistency with a vengeance. But what else could you expect of Democracy? Search the pages of history from the beginning and you will find that Democracy and inconsistency, like twin evils, go ever hand in hand. But Mr. Pennypacker will be elected nevertheless. The yells emanating from the throats of the Democrats and their traitor allies are the death yells of an expiring foe. When the votes are counted next Tuesday evening it will be found that Pennsylvania still returns her proud position in the Republican column. When you take your ballot into the booth next Tuesday be sure and start right. Any purpose is more easily and correctly accomplished when you start right. In voting it is the same as in any other business. First mark the head of the Republican ticket and then, as you have correctly started, mistakes are less liable to occur. Vote for Samuel W. Pennypacker and the balance of the State ticket.

Solomon R. Dresser, Republican candidate for Congress in the 21st district, has conducted a clean and honorable canvass in this campaign. No vilification of his political opponent has passed his lips. It is beneath the dignity and character of Mr. Dresser to stoop to the low methods employed by the opposition. Mr. Dresser's straightforward and manly course appeals strongly to all reputable voters and redounds greatly to his credit as a candidate and as a citizen. We may be mistaken, but it looks to us at this distance as though Mr. Dresser has Mr. Hibner beaten by a majority approximating 2,500 votes. With so many questions of vital importance to the nation coming before the next Congress we cannot admit the possibility of a single Republican in the district casting his ballot for the Democratic candidate. It is simply a question as to whether the action of the Republican party in raising the country from the depths of business stagnation and industrial despair to a height of commercial activity and industrial prosperity never before attained by a nation in the world shall be endorsed or condemned. Whether the present Republican era of peace, prosperity and plenty or the Democratic era of hard times, panic and low wages is for the best interest of the nation. There should be no hesitation on the part of any intelligent human being in making a choice. Vote for Solomon R. Dresser.

John W. Campbell, Republican candidate for Member of Assembly is one of the most capable and conscientious citizens of McKean county, a man who has been tried and never found wanting. The breath of scandal has never attacked a single act in his public or private life. The election of such men as Mr. Campbell would do more to elevate politics than anything else that could be done. It can hardly be possible that there is a Republican who does not believe in the principles and policies as one who desires his election is not interpreted by our fearless President, Theodore Roosevelt, are to be endorsed or condemned. Do not adopt a course that will cause you needless regret. Vote for John W. Campbell.

FOR SHERIFF—CHARLES F. MAYS.

J. M. McElroy, Republican candidate for Member of Assembly, is well and favorably known to nearly every voter of McKean county. In his long residence in this county, both as a private citizen and a public official, no whisper has been raised against his integrity or ability. Such men are needed in the legislative halls of Pennsylvania. It has been often and truthfully said of Mr. McElroy that he would go farther out of his way to confer a favor upon a friend or acquaintance than any other man in the county. In view of the fact that the next Legislature elects a successor to Hon. Boies Penrose in the United States Senate it is the imperative duty of every believer in the progressive principles of Republicanism to see that his ballot is registered in favor of the regularly nominated Republican candidates for Members of Assembly. Vote for J. M. McElroy.

Charles E. Mays, Republican candidate for Sheriff, has for many years been a resident of Hamilton township. During the present campaign he has made hosts of friends throughout the county by his business-like appearance and gentlemanly demeanor. The affairs of that department of the county government could not be intrusted to better hands than those of Mr. Mays. He will be elected beyond the peradventure of a doubt and we confidently predict that no official act of his will ever cause a regret to those who cast their ballots for him. That those who have never had the pleasure of meeting him may know the next Sheriff of McKean county we publish the portrait of Mr. Mays. Vote for Charles E. Mays.

Samuel E. Bell, Republican candidate for Prothonotary, is a well known and popular young man who resides in this borough. His ability to satisfactorily and competently discharge the duties of the office to which he aspires has not been questioned even by his most bitter political enemies. A young man who early in life was thrown upon his own resources, he has striven hard and energetically to better his position and education. Since attaining his majority he has always been a hard worker in the Republican ranks and now that he asks recognition at the hands of that party it should be cheerfully and unanimously accorded him. Vote for Samuel E. Bell.

H. M. Choate, Republican candidate for Recorder of Deeds, is known to everybody and most everybody will vote for him next Tuesday. For a number of years Mr. Choate has been connected with the Recorder's office and has become thoroughly familiar with every detail of the vast business transacted duly through that office. Mr. Choate is a veteran of the civil war, a gentleman in every use of the word and a courteous official. It is a matter for congratulation that the office of Recorder of Deeds will once again be held for several years by a Democrat. Vote for H. M. Choate.

John B. Eastman, candidate for Register of Wills, has been employed in the Recorder's office for some time and thoroughly understands the duties he will be called upon to discharge after January 1st, 1903. Quiet, unassuming, always attending strictly to business Mr. Eastman deserves and will receive the vote of every Democrat in the county. Vote for John B. Eastman.

William H. Morrison is the Republican candidate for Clerk of Courts. Any name implies he is the ideal candidate for the position of Clerk of Courts. The only regret the many friends of Mr. Morrison have in the matter is that the office to which he aspires is not more remunerative in a pecuniary point of view. He is deserving of the very best office in the gift of the people. Vote for W. H. Morrison.

FOR PROTHONOTARY—SAMUEL E. BELL.

John P. Melvin for District Attorney is the one candidate on the ticket who has no opposition. His administration of the duties of the office during the last term was so eminently satisfactory to all parties that he has been conceded a second term. Vote for John P. Melvin.

Hon. George Griffiths, Republican candidate for County Commissioner, is a man in whose hands the important business transacted through that office can be safely entrusted. Probably no man in the county enjoys a more extensive acquaintance among the citizens thereof than does Mr. Griffiths, and it would seem ridiculous for us to attempt to introduce him where he is already so well known. Mr. Griffiths is a veteran of the civil war and represented McKean county one term in the State Legislature. His election by a large majority is a foregone conclusion. Vote for George Griffiths.

FOR RECORDER OF DEEDS.

HOMER M. CHOATE.

John A. Peterson, Republican candidate for County Commissioner, is one of Bradford's most successful merchants. His intimate knowledge of the mercantile business will be of great assistance in economically guiding the county ship through the financial shoals created by the Democratic press. His election is also assured. Vote for John A. Peterson.

B. G. Bartle, Republican candidate for County Auditor, is a competent accountant in every way qualified to satisfactorily fill the position which he seeks. He has already served two years as auditor with ability and credit. When but a mere boy Mr. Bartle volunteered in the defense of his country and served throughout the civil war with bravery and honor. He will be elected, as he should be. Vote for B. G. Bartle.

Oscar Engstrom, Republican candidate for County Auditor, is one of the younger and more progressive Swedish-American citizens and resides in Smethport where he is generally respected and well liked. Possessed of a good education and a thorough business understanding he will make a most capable auditor. Vote for Oscar Engstrom.

"Edward Reynolds."

W. L. Fildbridge's first novel, "Edward Reynolds," could scarce a success. It would a few lapses into events which do not belong to the period with which the narrative deals there is nothing to mark it a first effort. "Edward Reynolds" is a young American with philanthropic ideas. His sweetheart misunderstands him and breaking their engagement marries another man. Edward leaves his native land and takes up his abode in London where he founds a second fortune. The events that then take place on both sides of the Atlantic are motherly, dramatic, and at times intensely thrilling. The great Civil War brings Edward home and the climax of the narrative is reached under the stars and stripes. "Edward Reynolds" is certainly superior to a number of recent works by celebrated authors, which have had large sales. It is an interesting work and well worth anyone's time to read.

Death of a Former Smethport Man.

Amos Dunbar, a former resident of Smethport and well known throughout the county as a prominent lumber manufacturer, died at his home in Straight, Elk county, last Friday, a victim of tuberculosis. The deceased is survived by his widow, three sons and three daughters. Mr. Dunbar, who was a member of the Bradford Tent, K. O. T. M., was about 51 years old. He was a man who had many friends and much regret is expressed at his demise. The funeral was held at Wilcox Sunday last.

Gas heaters of all sizes. See the one for $1.00. Holmes & Gilfillan.

The best robes and blankets at the lowest prices at Charles Lemmler's.

An Enthusiastic Meeting.

In direct contrast to the Democratic meetings held in this borough during the present campaign was the Republican meeting of last Saturday evening. While the Democratic orations consisted solely of vituperative falsehoods and vilification of Republican candidates and Republican measures, the meeting of Saturday night was entirely free from political filth. There is some little excuse for this line of campaigning by the Democrats who have never done anything to which they can "point with pride" but needs must depend on alleged mistakes of the opposition, magnified thousands of times by their own vilely fertile imagination, for their campaign thunder. But there should be a limit even to this.

Shortly before eight o'clock the reception committee and speakers, headed by the Smethport band, marched to the court house and Committeeman P. D. Gallup called the meeting to order. E. L. Keenan, Esq., was chosen chairman and, after a few well chosen words of thanks for the honor conferred, introduced the first speaker of the evening, Col. Neal Arden Flood of Meadville.

Col. Flood is an eloquent and impressive speaker, one of the best it has been our pleasure to listen to in many a day, and he evoked great enthusiasm by his convincing arguments in favor of Republicanism and against Democratic incompetency. One drunken individual of Democratic faith on the back seat caused considerable annoyance among those in his vicinity by interjecting irrelevant remarks during the progress of the speech. He finally propounded a question which reached the ears of Mr. Flood and was so quickly and satisfactorily answered that he at once subsided and remained quiet during the balance of the meeting. A source of great regret to the large audience was the fact that Mr. Flood had to leave at nine o'clock in order to catch a train and his speech was somewhat curtailed in consequence.

Hon. W. W. Brown was the next speaker and held the attention of the audience to the close of the meeting. His speech was characterized by a thorough knowledge of what he was talking about and many a truth was driven home in the hearts of his hearers.

The meeting was productive of much good to Republicanism in this vicinity.

The New Lyceum.

Work on the foundation for the new opera house at the corner of King and Mechanic streets is progressing rapidly, and it is expected that the Smethport Lyceum will be completed about the first of the year. The building is to be 100x80 feet, one story. The stage will be 40x36 feet, with four large dressing rooms and a good sized "fly room" under the stage. The auditorium, which is to have a flat floor for dancing purposes, is 50x49 feet in the clear, and the remaining space is taken up with ticket office, cloak room and stairways to the balcony. The balcony is to be about 25 feet deep, built on an incline and will have a seating capacity of about 300, and the seating capacity of the auditorium will be close to 800. Judging from the plans Smethport will soon have a play house which will fill a long felt want and be a credit to the town.

Infant Drowned.

At Portage creek, on Saturday the two year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Eckles who are strangers in this section, was drowned while playing in a tub of wash water. The facts as we have been able to gather them are as follows: The mother had done the family washing and had come to this borough for some purpose, leaving her four children at home, the oldest being a girl 11 years of age. A tub of wash water was left on the back porch and the baby was standing beside it playing, when it pitched forward into the tub. When found life was extinct. The funeral was held from the house Sunday, Rev. J. E. Platz of Wrights officiating.—Port Allegany Argus.

Killed While Hunting.

A special from Hazelhurst says: Saturday afternoon Frank Hess, a 14-year-old boy, accompanied by another lad of about the same age, went on a hunting expedition into the woods in the vicinity of Carherine's swamp. They took a shotgun along. While carelessly handling the gun, young Hess slipped and fell. The weapon was discharged and the contents entered the head of the Hess boy, instantly killing him. The only witness to the shooting was the dead boy's companion and the foregoing facts are elicited from statements by the latter. The parents of the victim of the accident are well-to-do and respected people.

Have you seen the 1902 Triple Effect heating stove with a pilot, which lights the stove without opening the door? Also single and double burners, $14 and $18. No more slamming of doors, the pilot light does the business. The triple effect gas ranges outclass all others in baking, broiling and small gas bills. For sale in Smethport only by J. C. Hamlin.

The Storm Sash we make are gas savers. Holmes & Gilfillan.

SERVANTS IN JAPAN

A LAND WHERE DOMESTIC SERVICE IS CONSIDERED AN HONOR.

The "Boys" That Wait on Table in Hotels and How They Work. Household Servants That Are Equal in Birth to Their Masters.

They have some curious notions about servants in Japan. Instead of its being considered a disgrace to go into domestic service in that country it is an honor, writes Mr. Douglas Sladen.

Little boys and grooms may not have the honor of being servants at all, but are tradesmen, which is the lowest class of all in Japan short of beggars or outcasts or members of the class of executioners. Grooms are excluded as a "profession," coolieing, cheating for the [illegible]. I think it impossible for a [illegible] the honest and the rickshaw boys are certainly people without any principles.

There are two classes of servants, [illegible] Kitchen servants [illegible] no knowledge of kitchen work. They are sometimes rough [illegible] from the country, no better than [illegible] boys. They are cook [illegible] Tokio, but Cook San (Mr. [illegible] is a very different [illegible] small household he does [illegible] and keeps the accounts as [illegible] of the ricksha men and [illegible] of coolies, and [illegible] ask which [illegible] Japan.

[illegible] servants show a [illegible] employers which would [illegible] Englishman will [illegible] servant, and their masters [illegible] little sign of contempt. [illegible] every one else these servants [illegible] considerable amount of politeness.

Hotel servants are male and female. Both [illegible] Europeans generally have [illegible] as well as their waiters [illegible] "maid boys."

A Japanese hotel for the [illegible] Great Britain [illegible] European servants. In the [illegible] surrounded by private [illegible] dressed in native [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] Each has a number to [illegible] and can't dish up the menu [illegible] a mistake, even down to the potatoes.

No, no, you say if you are new to it, "I'll have a steak and I'll take some fried potatoes with it, please." He catches [illegible] and brings them, but you will [illegible] have a far better chance of getting what you want if you simply say, "Steak."

You can easily hear yourself speak for the [illegible] Scuff across the floor [illegible] they don't wear [illegible] and [illegible] Your boots [illegible] "boy" and [illegible] If you say you [illegible] your valet he would very likely bring you a cast-off frock coat with your next morning's tea. His notion is that there is no necessity for the nudities of fashion and the forms it will take.

But your bedroom boy is a very different person. He has intelligence and often a fair command of English.

There is nothing that a Japanese room boy cannot do. I would trust him to mend my watch. I have tried him on such varied problems as luring a frightened canary back to its cage, fishing up a small coin that had fallen through a crack in the floor and mending the lock of a portmanteau. One of them even said that he could take in a felt hat which I gave him so large for him that his ears did not stop it.

The Japanese like their hats to rest upon their ears. They can mend your clothes or put a button on and are handier than sailors. They expect you to show them all your purchases and always tell you how much more or how much less you ought to have paid.

In the transient life of a hotel you see the farcical side of Japanese servants. The pristine and sentimental side you only get in a private family, where the servants, like the pages of the middle ages, may be equal in birth to their masters, but willing to do service in his household because he is a famous poet or noble or man of science, so as to gather the crumbs of education which fall from his table.—Exchange.

Rattled.

He—I trust you have forgiven me for [illegible] your name the other evening, although I remembered your face [illegible]

She—Oh, yes; but my name is such a plain one I should think you would have remembered it quite as readily.

He—So I did. Your name isn't half [illegible] your face [illegible] your [illegible] your name is Bertha!

Was Meant For.

A [illegible] and attractive [illegible] was occasion admirers [illegible] and praise [illegible] for an Irish [illegible]

"I [illegible] referred a white son of Erin [illegible] to be present, [illegible] "I was thinking of saying that you were meant for an Irish man."

The Knot Fell.

An Irish couple whose married bliss was not without a few "scraps" received a homely lecture from the spiritual adviser regarding their disagreeable quarrels.

His reverence said, "That dog and cat don't live better than you."

The [illegible] rather nettled him, "If your reverence will take them fighting I will soon change our method!"

The Gambling Instinct.

So far as we know, the gambling instinct is as old as humanity, it is certainly as old as history. There were bookmakers of a sort in Nineveh and Babylon, and Homer in his "Iliad" distinctly alludes to betting on sports. Tacitus tells us that both the ancient Germans and our own ancestors, the Britons, when they had lost everything else, would stake their own liberty and that of their wives and children on the hazard of the game.

The laws of ancient Rome strictly forbade all betting and gambling, yet Anthony and Cleopatra made bets on their luck in fishing, and Horace complains more than once of the effeminacy of the gilded youth of Rome because they forsook manly sports and warlike exercises for the attraction of the gaming tables. As is too much the case with ourselves in the present day, the youth of Rome left off playing games to watch them played and to bet on them. The most flagrant example of this was to be found in connection with the gladiatorial games in the arena. Roman nobles and plutocrats kept their fighting champions, just as our own keep their race horses. It was no uncommon thing for fortunes and even estates to be gambled away on the issue of a single combat.

Paying a Debt in Japan.

A Japanese provincial journal has the following story of a debt. A peasant had borrowed the sum of 45 yen (about $45) on the security of a small house and lot he owned. The term for the repayment of the loan having come and gone, and he seeing no way to [illegible] of settling his money [illegible] creditor was dunned to the extent of [illegible]. He alleged that he was unable properly to feed his family owing to the hard times and that it would not be until smaller that his scanty fields would yield enough to pay the loan and interest. Nothing would satisfy the creditor but that the peasant should give up the house. "The house is mine," declared the creditor, "and if you do not turn out I am at liberty to turn it over to my friends." [illegible] pursuant to the [illegible] Next day he appeared before the [illegible] this occasion with [illegible] seven [illegible] of ashes. He had taken the liberty, he said to burn the house down himself, as it appeared immaterial to his creditor whether it was burned or not. Here were the ashes! He hoped the usurer would be satisfied.

The History of Inoculation.

Inoculation is no new thing. The Chinese were the earliest to practice it. They dipped a plug of cotton or rag in the virus from a pustule and placed it in the nostril. Two ancient English physicians, Gilbertus Angelicus and John of Gaddesden, both speak of scrofula as curable by [illegible] but the [illegible] is [illegible] Lady Mary Wortley Montagu [illegible] Turkey [illegible] Her first [illegible] Pope [illegible] Dr. Maitland [illegible] Dr. Mead [illegible] Dr. Sloane [illegible] Dr. Arbuthnot [illegible] Dr. Garth [illegible] Dr. Hans Sloane

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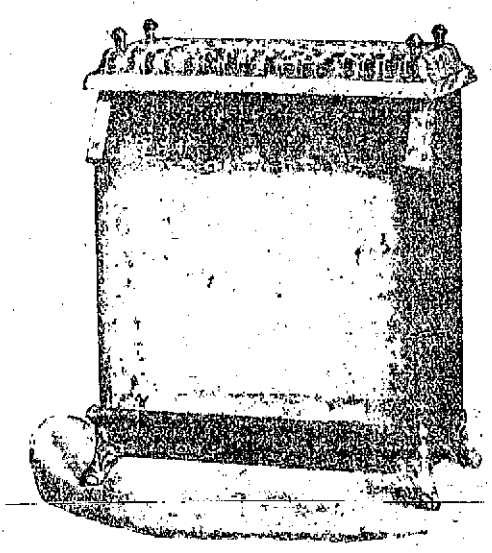

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J. C. Hamlin.

McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

Smethport, Thursday, [illegible] 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—See the change in the card of Hotel McKean Co.

—J. C. Hamlin has some fine [illegible] advertisement in this issue.

—Be sure and send B. H. Berger's new ad this week. It is of interest to you.

—S. S. Fee is building an addition to his barn in the rear of his Water street dwelling house.

—Work was commenced on the excavation for the Smethport Lyceum last Friday and operations will be hustled until the building is completed.

—The construction work on the Pittsburg, Shawmut & Northern railroad in the vicinity of Palmerville attracts many sightseers from Smethport.

—The Kane High School football team defeated the Kane team at Eldred last Saturday. Score, 5 to 0. Bradford also defeated Ridgway by a score of 23 to 0.

—A football eleven composed of Smethport small boys collided with a much heavier eleven at Eldred and were swamped by a score of 27 to 0 on Friday last.

—A dancing party was given at the Stebbins opera house, Coudersport, last Friday evening in honor of Miss Charlotte Bard of Smethport, says the Enterprise.

—With both window glass factories running full shifts and the bottle factory in operation night and day the glass making industry as represented in Smethport is certainly booming.

—In Redfield's Magazine for October Charles Everett McCoy, a popular Smethport young man, contributes a good poem entitled, "Song." Charlie's legion of friends will wish him success as a writer of poetry.

—According to Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco poker is not a game of chance, but of skill. The California state statute so defines it. The writer has long had a settled conviction that there was no chance of winning at the game.

—The Kansas City Star will be the first newspaper in the world to manufacture its own print paper. Its mill will cost $350,000, have a capacity of 100,000 tons of paper a month and will give employment to about 100 persons.

—Capt. Hobson did not address Bradford audiences Saturday. Owing to the fact that he missed a train and certain misunderstanding his journey to Bradford was fruitless, But few Bradford people knew that the famous hero was "in their midst."

—Dr. S. A. Phillips, on behalf of himself and two other marksmen, has offered a prize of a ball to be shot for by Wetmore Rifle Co. and Smethport marksmen, [illegible] Patterson.

[illegible] of the [illegible] will receive on [illegible] for hunting purposes [illegible] Following are the names and [illegible] to the writers: A. [illegible] and Frank Eder, and Dan Porter, [illegible] Paul Partle, from [illegible] Bradford, please.

A [illegible] o'clock Wednesday afternoon Rev. W. J. Avery spoke the solemn words which united for life the destinies of Miss Mary McGowan of Liberty township and John J. Abbey of Smethport, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's parents.—Port Allegany Reporter.

—In an interscholastic game of football between the Jamestown high school and the Central high school team of Buffalo at the former city Saturday last George McClurg, an 18-year-old Jamestown player had his neck broken. He lived for several hours after the accident but did not regain consciousness. The Jamestown team has withdrawn from further interscholastic contests as a result of the deplorable accident. Saturday's game resulted in a tie, 11-11.

—Howard Smith, a five-year-old Coudersport boy, had a narrow escape from death one day last week. While playing through a dark room with a brass curtain rod in his mouth he ran against a door and the rod cut a deep gash in his throat. While the little one was under the influence of chloroform for the purpose of having the wound dressed he was at one time pronounced dead by one of the physicians in attendance. He subsequently revived and is rapidly recovering.

Why Suffer With Your Kidneys?

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Correspondence.

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Mrs. Mat[illegible] children [illegible] guests [illegible] sister, Mrs. [illegible] Chautauqua and Eldred [illegible] yesterday.

A few of our young folks attended the party at Myron Smith's of Two Mile last Friday night.

Mrs. Nancy Buckley and children of Olean visited Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Buckley over Sunday.

S. L. Holcomb and daughter, Mae, made a business trip to Olean Saturday.

Mrs. S. P. Bacon is visiting her brother, Carl Beckwith, of this place.

Mrs. Mary June is visiting friends in Nowerf this week.

I. W. Tubbs has gone to Shingle House to work.

Challenge From John W. Voorhees.

Offers to refund money if Dr Howard's Specific will not cure any case of constipation or dyspepsia.

John W. Voorhees is seeking the worst case of dyspepsia or constipation in Smethport or vicinity to test Dr. Howard's new Specific for the cure of those diseases.

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Take advantage of Mr. Voorhees' challenge and secure a bottle of Dr. Howard's Specific at half price with [illegible] and guarantee to refund your money if it does not help you.

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Surrogate's Declarations.

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[illegible] at Hall's [illegible] marked "Last Will and Testament of [illegible] deceased," which [illegible] has not come. Specimen [illegible] R. Copied quickly. "Mozart, my dear friend, does not need them."

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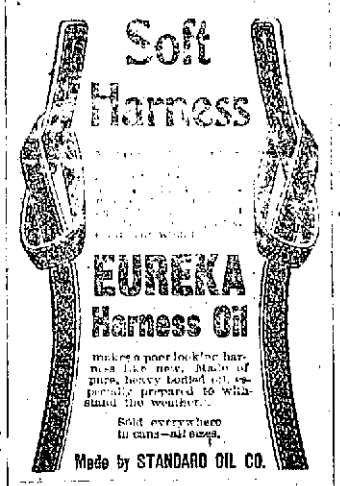
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In the matter of the Estate of George H. Preston, deceased. } In the Orphan's Court of McKean County. } No. 87, June Term, 1903.

In the matter of the exceptions to the first and final account of Edgar D. Preston, administrator, of the estate of the said deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed auditor to hear and determine the questions raised by exceptions filed to the above account hereby gives notice that he will attend to the duties of his appointment on Tuesday, the 18th, day of November, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of Gorton & Richmond, in the borough of Smethport, when and where all parties interested may be heard.

T. F. RICHMOND, Auditor.

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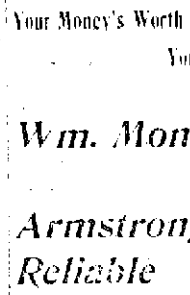
OSTRICH LOGIC.

"While [illegible] danger there is no danger." [illegible] of [illegible] which [illegible] its head and [illegible] its body to the hunter. There are not a few people who seem to have come to the ostrich to learn logic. The most dangerous enemies of humanity are the enemies which can't be seen, the disease breeding microbes which infect the blood. It is harder to get the microbe out of the blood than to keep it out, but Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery does both, by purifying the blood and then keeping it pure.



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"My blood was all out of order, and I had to go to the doctor," writes Mrs. James R. Moss, New London, Stanly Co., N.C. "He gave me medicine which helped me for a short time. In the winter of 1895 I got worse than I had ever been. My tonsils were enlarged and my neck swollen all out of shape, my throat was sore and I could not cure it. My husband went for the doctor, but he gave me no encouragement. He helped me a little, but it did not last long. He attended me for twelve months, when I heard of a lady whose condition was like mine when was taking your medicine and was getting well. So I secured some of the medicine and began taking it. In one week I was able to leave my bed. When I began taking the medicine I could sit up only a few minutes at a time, and I could rest or sleep only a little while at a time. My throat was so sore at times I could not even swallow sweet milk, and my tonsils were full of ulcers. My left ear was deaf, the ear drum [illegible] and I could hear you [illegible] voice. I was discouraged and I could not get well, but three bottles of Dr. [illegible] Medical Discovery [illegible] bottles [illegible] bottles of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cured me. I also used the use of all writes and the work was done."

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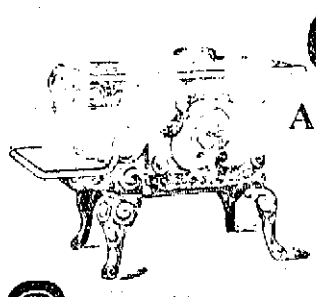

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REDFIELD'S HARDWARE.

McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second class mail matter.

Smethport, Thursday, Oct. 30, 1902.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—To-morrow evening is Hallow e'en.

—The first snow of the season fell Tuesday evening.

—Shingle House expects to land a large glass bottle factory soon.

—Shepard & Gallup, the grocers, have an interesting ad in this issue.

—Daniel Hooper, aged 85 years, died at his home in Row City on Tuesday.

—Bell Bros. of Olean have an interesting change of ad on another page.

—James Shields is moving from this borough to Smethport.—Port Allegany Argus.

—M. L. Armstrong has had the interior and exterior of his jewelry store painted.

—Dr. W. A. Ostrander is repainting and making some decided improvements in his office.

—A dog fight in the postoffice last evening caused much commotion for a few minutes.

—Mrs. J. Heber McCandless, who has been quite ill for the past three weeks, is recovering.

—Mackanee Tribe, I. O. R. M., gave a very nice banquet after their meeting Monday night.

—Miss Lina Dickinson, a graduate of Warner's Business College, is stenographer for Mr. Goldman.

—Mrs. R. E. Burdick is entertaining a number of friends at cards this afternoon at her home on West Main street.

—Regular morning worship at the Baptist church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Evening service at 7:30. Subject of sermon: "Religion and Happiness."

—It will be well for the young people to be careful about what they do tomorrow evening. We understand an extra force of police has been put on and some in citizen's clothes.

—At St. Luke's on Saturday, November 1st—All Saints' day—there will be services at 8 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Services on Sunday at 10 and 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., with sermon.

—All Saints' Day sermon at the Methodist church next Sunday morning, "Shall We Know One Another in Heaven?" "Our Mothers," in continuation of the series on the Home in the evening.

—King Edward VII is the possessor of the largest book in the world. It is a condensed encyclopedia and its weight is nearly 600 pounds. Should "Sandy" A. Boyne so desire he could write a book still larger. The title of it would be, "What I did not do in the Legislature."

—The bone for the wall for Dr. Hamilton's brick building at the corner of Main and Mechanic streets, is a fine piece of work and the builders are receiving many compliments on the same.

—While engaged in splitting fence posts last Saturday afternoon Constable Gardner Cullen was struck on the right hand by the handle of a maul. The blow broke one finger and smashed the thumb quite badly.

—A company of about fifty young people of the Methodist church "surprised" their pastor and wife last Friday evening, making it a time of special delight to Mr and Mrs. Patterson and enjoying themselves as well.

—The regular Mothers' meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held in the M. E. chapel Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 3 o'clock. A cordial invitation to all. Refreshments will be served. Members are requested to meet promptly at 2:30.

—The ladies of the Swedish Lutheran church will give a supper at the residence of John Lindholm on Water street next Saturday evening from 5 to 10 o'clock. Oysters will be served. After the supper a number of articles made by the ladies will be sold at auction.

—The Corning Journal says some New York Central trainmen saw an unusual spectacle on Monday night. During the evening there was an electrical storm and at 2 a. m., while the moon was shining brightly, there being yet some clouds visible, they saw a rainbow in all its brilliancy.

—Clyde Still, a popular young man of East Smethport, while wrestling with a friend Saturday night fell heavily striking on his shoulder. Although he felt considerable pain he paid no attention to the injury until Sunday morning when he visited a physician who discovered that the shoulder was broken. Clyde will be laid up for a time as a result.

—Raphael C. Bauer, of the firm of Bauer & Clark of Austin, committed suicide in his room in the Grand Central Hotel, Olean, by shooting himself through the head last Thursday morning. Mr. Bauer had many friends in Smethport who regret his tragic end, which was probably the result of despondency. The funeral and interment were held in Bradford.

—The grocery firm of Hagberg & Sherburne has purchased of F. G. Lindholm & Co. their stock of groceries and moved them to their store in the Holder block. Andrew Leonardson, who has been in the grocery department of Lindholm & Co., has accepted a position with Hagberg & Sherburne. Messrs. Lindholm & Co. are fitting up the space used for a grocery department for their cloak department, and in the future will conduct an exclusive dry goods, carpet and shoe store. Messrs. Hagberg & Sherburne are confining themselves entirely to groceries and are doing an excellent business.

—The members of the the P. R. C. held an open meeting in I. O. O. F. hall Tuesday evening. The attendance was large and everybody had a good time. The band rendered some very pleasing music and Judge Isaac Smythe Reynolds, who was the guest of honor, delivered a flowery address on "Congeniality," as practiced by fraternal organizations. Excellent refreshments were served which were greatly enjoyed by all.

—A Zanesville, Ohio, dispatch says: News of a tragedy without a parallel has reached here from Morristown, a hamlet in Belmont county. During a ball game near the village Sunday, Stanley Walker was seated on a nearby fence watching the contest. Walker had selected a companion for a knife which had been handed him, when the latter swung the knife pointing toward his body with a powerful ball struck Walker's hand and the end of the knife handle with such force that the blade was driven into the young man's heart. He fell from the fence and died without a word or a groan.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Samuel L. Fry was in Bradford yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Wray visited Sunday in Kane.

Wesley Susee was a visitor in Kane over Sunday.

W. S. Palmer made a business trip to Bradford Tuesday.

Mrs. George Shepard is visiting friends in New York state.

Mrs. Anna Powell spent Sunday with friends in Port Allegany.

Mrs. J. E. Olmstead is visiting relatives in Crawford in Crosstine, Ohio.

Mrs. W. H. Mather and Miss Bessie Hussey visited Bradford last Friday.

Mrs. Clyde J. Hamlin and daughter, Marion, are visiting in Geneva, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Strong spent Sunday with friends in Friendship, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Ansel and child of Mt. Jewett visited in town Monday.

Mrs. R. K. Codding of Kane visited Smethport friends the first of the week.

Miss Belva Ford returned home Saturday from a visit with friends in Pittsburg.

Mrs. Carrie Smith of Bradford was the guest of her mother in town over Sunday.

Mrs. J. G. Todd and children returned from a month's visit at New Castle Saturday.

Miss Hope Jones has returned home from an extended visit to friends in New York state.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Crandall of Smethport were the guests of friends in town over Sunday.

Miss Nellie Masters is the guest of friends at Mayville, N. Y.

Miss Edith McGuire, who has been visiting Miss Jessie Quinlisk at Lindsey, Pa., returned home Saturday.

Guy H. McCoy and H. H. Redfield witnessed the Ridgway Bradford football game at Bradford Saturday.

W. H. Morrison is looking over the political situation in Bradford. All agree that Mr. Morrison has a sure thing for the election.

John Harrington of the regular army is visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity. Mr. Harrington is now stationed at Fort Niagara, N. Y.

Dr. E. R. Baker returned home Saturday from a week's hunting trip in Clarion county. He reports good luck and brought home a number of partridges and squirrels.

John B. Eastman, the popular Republican candidate for Register, was over from Smethport yesterday. Mr. Eastman is one of the most popular as well as one of the most deserving young men of the county and his prospects of election are exceedingly promising.—Today's Bradford Era.

Quiet Wedding at Olean.

At the Hotel Imperial, Olean, N. Y., October 30th, 1902, Hon. Louis W. Stowell officiating, Miss Olive Irons of Smethport, daughter of George Irons, Esq., of Keating township, was united in marriage to Mr. E. G. Hokensen of Bradford. The bride is a well-known Smethport young lady and has many friends among the young people of this vicinity. The groom is a trusted employe of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg railroad at Bradford. Mr. and Mrs. Hokensen will make their future home in Bradford and are already housekeeping at No. 88 Bishop street, where they are now "at home" to their friends. The many friends of the bride in this vicinity, including the MINER, extend hearty congratulations.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining in the postoffice at Smethport for the week ending Oct. 25, 1902.

John Anderson, Miss Bell Briggs, Miss Clara Crowley, Maurice Call, Mrs. Harry H. Fairbanks, Grace Griffin, Miss M. Llewelyn, Mrs. A. Neistrom, Opera House, Geo. W. Richer, Miss Martha Richey, Miss Rebecca Splain, Miss Genevie Splain, Miss E. G. Stothard, John Stiner, Miss Tress Welch, Mrs. Charlie Wilson.

Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised." All unclaimed letters are sent to the Dead Letter Office two weeks from date of advertising.

J. C. GALLUP,
Postmaster.

If interested in saving gas read Redfield's ad.

Plush and wool robes, horse blankets, whips, etc. Holmes & Gilfillan.

Use the Redfield mantle.

Communicated.

In reading over the MINER of last week, I notice that once more an addition has been made to the long list of fires that have taken place in my home. For the size of the place Smethport has had its share of them, and some very costly ones, which I believe are not at ready forgotten, as a glance at the assessment roll will show that our tax payers are still bearing burdens imposed by the destructible element.

A burning building is an object that requires immediate attention. That "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," is very true and applicable to the handling of fires. The subduing of a fire depends not only upon the number of persons on hand to fight same and their knowledge of such affairs, but also upon the promptness in getting to the fire. A fire [illegible] incredibly small and of no account, [illegible] to culminate in a very disastrous conflagration, and was it not for the valiant efforts of the fire department in the larger cities many more terrible pages would be added to history. But this article can be touched for by the large open throttle made by the different companies responding, dashing their [illegible] at breakneck speed through the streets, [illegible] and [illegible] engine got and away with a small spurt of sixteen seconds after the alarm had been sounded.

How very different it is in town. It is almost impossible, when in response to an alarm, to get our hose out of the house and on the ground in the very least possible time. [illegible] it is now [illegible] the hauling of the [illegible] which allows only about [illegible] to be carried on each [illegible] for a strong team, [illegible] and perhaps [illegible] small lengths. * * It is a wonder that the house would [illegible] the fire [illegible] burning and then wonder how [illegible] water has been known to [illegible] the [illegible] after the alarm was given.

I would like to direct your [illegible] to make an estimate of the damage which has occurred by fire in our town, in cases where with proper apparatus and power to work it readily, would have prevented the total destruction, he would ascertain that the amount would greatly exceed the cost of properly equipping with effective apparatus and maintaining our hose company for many years. * * Again we must remember that Smethport covers quite an expanse of territory and it seems the larger the borough is, [illegible] the less adequate is given from [illegible] the water [illegible] is [illegible] to the [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

FROM GRAFTON AND BACK

By CECILY ALLEN

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When the news spread through Grafton that Frank Wilson had given Jennie Holmes a position as clerk in his store, the gossips of that self important little county seat were thrown into a fine flutter. The women shook their heads over their teacups and prophesied that no good thing could come out of such an innovation. The men encircling the stove in the store of Frank's only competitor in "groceries, dry goods, crockery and general merchandise" decided that "ef 'ol' Sam White knowed there was a gal swishin' her skirts roun' his flour barrels an' sugar sacks he'd just natu'ly turn over in his grave." And the whole town and surrounding farming district announced that it was all due to Frank Wilson's having attended a business college in the city for three months.

But in due time the women on "trading trips" gravitated toward Jennie. She had an eye for colors and knew just how much it would take for baby's first short dress or Martha Jane's pinafores. The bluff farmers liked her, too, because she seemed to read aright the mysterious instructions intrusted to them by busy wives at home. There were no more mistakes about the quantities and qualities needed or Wilson's storekeeper always threw in a stick of candy, for the littlest one, to say nothing of a cordial and friendly glance.

At the strangest of all, she did not spell [illegible] the cracker barrel [illegible] business [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

A RESURRECTED HERO

By Captain Harry L. Wells

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Captain Harry L. Wells

When Colonel Twiller appeared at the door of his apartments in the Nagasaki hotel he saw that Nellie was standing at the window looking out over the crowded harbor and drumming impatiently upon the glass with her fingers. Now, the colonel had not been the guardian and sole mentor of that young lady since her tenth year without learning the signs of the times and he regarded that dramatic thrumming as evidence of a mental condition that was better permitted to work itself out through the fingers than through the lungs. So he stole in as softly as his crutch and cork leg would permit and sank into a chair to watch the little drama.

The colonel's other leg had been left at Santiago and when he was well enough to travel Nellie's mother, who had refused him while he had the limb, consented to marry the remaining three-fourths of him and was glad also, as Nellie was born, he was still more glad to forgive and when the death of his wife left the child in the hands of the mother into womanhood grown of counterpart in form, feature and disposition of the lost wife, turned it to him. He had become a slave of this impulsive, changeable, petulant, warm hearted copy of his wife and that was the only reason why he was now 8,000 miles away from his native land.

Nellie had said she absolutely must go over to Japan to see those amusing Japanese with their own horses, and the colonel had said, "Yes, of course," and then he had said, "I know that she can't resist the opportunity of seeing Japan," and then he had said, "Perhaps we can run over for the summer," and then he had said, "Perhaps we can get as close as possible to Manila to see Jack Carter, who was fighting in the Philippines and whom she had finally refused to marry."

Jack was the son of the colonel's old chum, who had been so badly wounded at Santiago that his leg that he only had lasted through a few years of suffering and then had left his little curly headed boy an orphan in the care of his comrade in arms. The two children had grown up together and loved each other, but Nellie had some romantic notion that she must have a husband who had distinguished himself in battle, and when Jack St. [illegible] went to the Philippines Nellie made him promise that he would not return until he had done something to win her. Jack had written to her from Manila, but the colonel had been left at Cavite

SENATOR QUAY'S GREAT SPEECH

He Challenges Proof of the Charges Made By Democrats.

DEFENDS PARTY'S POLICIES

And Points to Its Achievements in the State For Forty Years.

NATIONAL ISSUES IN CAMPAIGN

There Will Be No Tariff Changes, He Declares, As Long As Pennsylvania Holds Her Position In the Republican Ranks—A Great Pittsburg Meeting.

The Carnegie Music Hall, Pittsburg, was packed to its capacity last Friday night to hear United States Senator Quay, chairman of the Republican State Committee, discuss the issues of the campaign.

Senator Quay's speech was one of the most striking ever delivered by a political leader. He unreservedly invited the Democratic assistants of the Republican press to prove their assertions, and declared that the policy of protection was safe as long as Pennsylvania stood firmly in line.

Attempts have been made by Democratic newspapers to distort the speech and for that reason it is here given in full. Senator Quay said:

The conditions in the Republican struggle in Allegheny county are not happy. I regret that Mr. Gaffey of the man who labored in the Senate between husband and wife and if I were to pronounce upon the merit of your present controversy I would not be sure. Always I have stood for party regularity. Always since the Republican party was organized I have voted a straight Republican ticket.

Many of my friends and fellows have disagreed with this policy but generally I have found them dissatisfied in the end with the result of their experiment. In alliances with the Democratic party the Democrats always get the oyster, the Republicans get the shell. Some gentlemen in Allegheny county in 1890 aspired to place Mr. Pattison in the gubernatorial chair and will remember the bitter rejection and disappointment they experienced at his hands.

Within more recent years some of your people in fond of future became involved with the Democracy in a back up of the United States senatorship at Harrisburg. Since then they have ceased to exist, leaving which the Democracy thrive and revolved. I here my friends in case is known as the Oliver party can be but a name this, but I fear few will do so.

STRIKE MUST QUAY.

This is certain. The time has come when the Republicans in Pennsylvania for their own safety must organize instinct society and form line of battle for resistance to the common enemy. We have recently seen the sheet lightning and heard the voice of a coming storm in the northwestern states. We have listened to the utterances of our brethren in Iowa, Wisconsin and elsewhere who have witnessed the dramatic and public exit from public life of the distinguished speaker of the national house of representatives.

The tariff is the life of Pennsylvania. This great city is its creature of which it is the vital and sustaining force. It is making this region near the forks of the Ohio a metropolis of industry, commerce and wealth which will shortly house a population of millions.

The present tariff fulfills all national requirements and oppresses no person or interest. It needs no revision. Revision of the tariff means reduction of the tariff. Reduction of the tariff means reduction of the profits of the manufacturer. Reduction of the profits of the manufacturer means reduction of the wages of the laborer. Reduction of the wages of the laborer means loss of business to those who supply the laborer with the necessities and comforts of life.

NO TARIFF REVISION.

We in Pennsylvania are satisfied with existing conditions, and as to revision, will have none. Agitators may cry "Revision!" "Revision!" but there will be no revision while Pennsylvania maintains her commanding position in the Republican party and nation—a position she can only maintain by absolute harmony in council and unity in action among her Republican voters.

The present campaign of the Democracy in Pennsylvania presents a spectacle unique in its effort to obliterate the evidence of the existence of that party and the memory of its misdeeds.

They merely scold and defame public officials, befoul the reputation of the state which shelters them, bark at Quay and vouch for their own integrity. You have all heard their cries of agony evoked by the consciousness that their fellow men were so much worse than they. I need not recapitulate and I reply. It is false that any member of the last legislature was paid to vote for Mr. Marshall for the speakership of the house. If it is true, who was the member who paid him and what was the amount paid?

It is false that any member of the senate or house of representatives was paid to vote for the for United States senator. If it is true, who was the person interested who paid the money and what was the amount paid?

A LIE NAILED.

It is false that I was elected by any coalition with Democrats. My majority of 12 included just one Democrat, who voted against my express wish.

It is false that the vote of a single delegate was purchased in the late Republican state convention.

If it is true, who was the delegate? What was the amount paid and who paid it? It will be remembered that the same charge was made by a disappointed and defeated candidate for governor before the Democratic state convention, which met at Altoona in 1898 and nominated Mr. Jenks.

It is false that Samuel W. Pennypacker was my "selfselected" candidate. There were two men in Pennsylvania who were absolutely hostile to the suggestion of Judge Pennypacker's name; one was Judge Pennypacker, the other was M. S. Quay. It was very certain that the broad minded leaders of the opposition would make a personal campaign upon the ground that the great grandfather of Judge Pennypacker was the half brother of my grandfather, and the prospect was not pleasant. Judge Pennypacker himself preferred the bench to the executive chair.

As to legislative corruption there may be evil spirits in the legislature as in all Clyde and mill race leaders, but to denominate a legislature as criminal upon the newspaper assertion of the corruption of one or two of its members, is as equitable as to charge that the people of Pittsburg were thieves because a thief had been arrested on your streets.

HENSEL MUST GIVE NAMES.

I see that my friend Hensel has appointed a sudden attack of Quayphobia and long he is in travail because of Allegheny which will only be brought to a head again by the chief house of Senator Penrose or Senator Quay. Whatever the case and whatever the original challenge Mr. Hensel to get into the charge has served emphasize and his grief. If he does not he fails in his duty to the public.

The prosecutors of the opposition prosecution at Harrisburg which they claim were fully established. First there was the scandal on the Clarion Normal School. It was asserted that $2,500 had been paid to the legislature for an appropriation to that institution.

I have seen no statement anywhere to establish that it had been actually paid, nor by whom, nor to whom it was paid. The only member of the legislature named in the connection were two Democrats, one of whom has been renominated.

It was alleged also by the same coterie of scandal mongers that a libelous case was made out against Mr. Harris, the present state treasurer. Investigation likely to deal Mr. Harris the whole contents of the box which went to Harrisburg after the investigation had adjourned at the request of the officers of a Clearfield county bank, intent to prosecute them before the legislature, and took rejected a bid for $1,000 for that service and other extra legislative services in their behalf while the institution had refused to pay. That was the extent of the horrible case of corruption in Clearfield county.

Again it is said that my friend, David B. Oliver, is cognizant of a case in point—indicted. I have read his speech, which was direct and pertinent, but Mr. Oliver does not disclose the identity of the heavy villain in the case nor the attendant circumstances. Mr. Oliver should give them to the public. He should bow to the line, let the chips fall where they may.

These are the only instances, so far as I have found, produced by the scandal mongers to sustain their charges that the state which gives them shelter and has given them prominence and wealth is debauched, robbed and misgoverned.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

And now I desire to present to you some statistics bearing upon the alleged misgovernment of the state of Pennsylvania, a state whose only cause to blush is that her own children are traducers. I assert that Pennsylvania is the best governed state in this Union—look at her educational system.

Under the Democratic administration in 1860 the amount appropriated for common schools was $280,000. In 1868 the Republicans had removed the state tax from real estate and increased the common school appropriation to 78 per cent. over 1860.

In 1874 they had increased it 374 per cent. over 1860, and at the last session of the legislature it was increased more than 500 per cent. over 1874.

From 1851 to 1860, inclusive, the last ten years of Democratic control, the amount was $2,411,500.

The amounts appropriated from 1893 to 1902, inclusive, were $15,550,000. From 1883 to 1892, inclusive, were $21,000,000, showing an increase in the past ten years over the preceding ten years of over 250 per cent.

The appropriations for salaries of county superintendents of common schools from 1883 to 1902, inclusive, were $1,002,000. From 1883 to 1892, inclusive, were $860,000.

The amount paid by that state to its counties for school purposes at the rate of $1.45 for each enumerated youth, was $1,769,939.23, of which the real estate of the counties contributed all but $490,735.58, while the tax upon horses, cattle, hogs, sheep etc., paid a large part of the last named amount. This tax on real estate was in addition to the local school taxes.

Pennsylvania pays about $4 each for her total number of pupils, and its real estate contributes nothing.

Dating back since the Civil War to May 31, 1902 Pennsylvania has expended for the support and education of soldiers' and sailors' orphans, $13,805,995.

Over 17,000 of such pupils have been admitted to her soldiers' orphans schools and we are now maintaining and educating nearly eleven hundred.

Another comparison of great importance may be cited.

The state debt of Pennsylvania in 1865 was $10,488,213.82, or over $13.91 for every man, woman and child within its borders. Today the state debt of Pennsylvania is not five cents per capita.

The annual interest on our state debt in 1860 was $1,060,000. Today it is practically nothing.

AS TO BALLOT REFORM.

The Republican state committee at its recent session appointed sub-committees to formulate new ballot and primary election laws. Their report was anticipated at an early date, but the chairman of one of the committees has been in the field with the National Guard, and the other committee, after giving full hearings to all interested, is awaiting the report of two distinguished attorneys, Hon. Alexander Simpson and Hon. Richard C. Dale, who are engaged in the preparation of a ballot reform bill.

When these committees are ready to report the Republican organization will take position. Speaking for myself, the Van Dyke primary law which passed the house of representatives at the last session of the legislature, was as fair and effective an instrument as could be framed.

My own preference would be for a return to the old law, which permitted every voter to write or print his own ballot, with a proviso that each voter shall enter a private booth alone and in which he shall seal his ballot in an official envelope, which he shall hand to the election officers. This would prevent intimidation upon the voter secure an absolutely free vote and rid us of the present ridiculous and cumbrous ballot and machine nuisance. I repeat to say that my views do not seem to me those the distinguished jurists now operating upon the issue.

HENSEL TAKES WATER

The Democratic Ex-Attorney General Refuses to Accept Quay's Challenge.

The defiance of Senator Quay to Democratic ex-Attorney General W. U. Hensel and Democratic camp followers generally, demanding that he reveal the names of members of the legislature whom he (Hensel) said were bribed was met with a back down. Hensel failed absolutely to name any one.

It was in Philadelphia at the Academy of Music on Saturday night last, and a more complete political back down was never seen in state politics. Hensel was the star speaker at the Democratic mass meeting. When he came to Senator Quay's defiance at first in flaunting the night before, he endeavored to turn it aside.

Instead of answering Quay's demand that he give the names of the bribed and bribers he invited Senator Quay to make his charges on that subject of some one else.

The Philadelphia Press had this to say of the Hensel fiasco:

"Disappointment was the central feature of the Democratic meeting at the Academy of Music last night. The big auditorium was only half filled at 8.30 o'clock, when the managers, who had been hopefully awaiting the arrival of more persons, reluctantly forced their star attractions onto the stage and mailed less than 1,500 people to order.

The chief disappointment, however was for the comparatively small number of persons present—most of them had been attracted by the Pittsburg challenge of Senator Quay to former Attorney General Hensel to be specific in his charges of corruption and name the members of the legislature who were bribed, the amounts they received and the men who paid them. Following the many charges of bribery and this bold note of defiance to the Democrats from Senator Quay the expectation was general among those who went to the Academy of Music last night that Mr. Hensel would say something sensational. He did not, however.

The Press then gives some quotations from Hensel's back down speech, refusing to give names or specific facts.

What Mr. Hensel failed to say was that all rumors of bribery concerned Democrats, members of his own party and for that reason he did not dare to mention names.

This ended the Democratic sensation begun by Pattison, Hensel & Co., and promptly squelched by State Chairman Quay.

A Missing Point.

A good instance of the importance of punctuation was afforded in the case of a contemporary, according to the London Chronicle, which once announced the death of the bishop of Brisbane. This was promptly contradicted. The explanation followed that the cable received was: "Bishop of Brisbane found dead sea serpent fifty feet long." Reading this as two items of news, the news editor chose the piece of information most suited to his columns, and the cable announced, "The bishop of Brisbane has been found dead."

An Indian Superstition.

Among the superstitions of the Seneca Indians was a most beautiful one. When a young maiden died, they imprisoned a young bird until it first began to try its powers of song, and then, loading it with caresses and messages, they loosed its bonds over her grave in the belief that it would not fold its wing nor close its eye until it had flown to the spirit land and delivered its precious burden of affection to the loved and lost one.

Washington Letter.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27, 1902.

State and governmental affairs in Washington have given place this week to interest in the state campaign, and every scrap of gossip reaching the national capital is eagerly seized and construed according to the political affiliations of the constituent. No serious anxiety as to the complexion of the next House is felt, although it is admitted that there is danger that in some states the Democrats will rat down majorities unless the Republicans "wake up" and "come" to the polls and vote. There is no dissatisfaction with the administration but so general as the prosperity that it has been impossible to score up any enthusiasm and the only real danger to Republican prospects lies in the indifference and ingratitude of men who if they voted at all would vote the Republican ticket.

Chairman Babcock has so far refrained from making estimates on New York state, but a gentleman attached to Republican headquarters is authority for the statement that, conceding the Democrats all the doubtful districts, the state will send to Washington a majority of twenty-five Representatives, while if Republican hopes fructify, the majority will be about thirty. Ohio, which is regarded as the next most important state, will show no Republican losses, say the forecasters, and it is hoped to gain two Democratic districts. Tom Johnson is said to be making much noise but few votes and his attacks upon some of the leaders of his own party are regarded as likely to estrange many Democrats. Although formerly professing allegiance to Mr. Bryan, he has practically repudiated him now and many Democrats, it is claimed, will punish him for his treachery by remaining away from the polls.

Indiana is claimed by the Republicans to be absolutely out of danger. The reasons which have been almost unprecedented and there is every indication of Republican success. From the state of Washington comes the statement that even the Democratic leaders privately concede the state to their opponents and that their campaign is merely perfunctory. The three Representatives from Washington are elected "at large," as the state has never been districted, and all of them will be Republicans. The chief interest in Washington, however, is in the complexion of the legislature which will elect a successor to Senator Turner, a Democrat. That the next Senator will be a Republican is a foregone conclusion and ex-Senator Wilson and ex-Governor McGraw are regarded as the leading candidates.

On Friday last the members of the Anthracite Coal Commission, as it will hereafter be officially known, met at the White House and, after receiving instructions from the President and sitting to-day as the date of their first formal meeting, were entertained at luncheon by Mr. Roosevelt. They will first hear President Mitchell and the operators, or their Representatives, in regard to the time and place most convenient for them to make their representations to the Commission. On their recommendation the place and dates of future meetings will be determined. It is impossible to foretell how long the Commission will be engaged on its labors but there is a general impression that its work will be completed in not less than three months and some set the time for completion much earlier. It is by no means probable that their report will be made to the President in time to permit him to embody their recommendations in his annual message and it is anticipated that he will make the report the basis for a special message at some subsequent date.

Representative F. H. Gillett of Massachusetts came to Washington one day last week to see the President and talked interestingly of the situation in his state. He said that the victory of Mr. Foss, in securing the nomination in the tenth district on a tariff reform platform, was of little significance and that there was little tariff revision sentiment in the state. Contrary to expectations, there was little heard of imperialism outside of a few districts and even in those it failed to touch any responsive chord among the voters. He said that the Republicans now had eleven out of the thirteen districts in the state and they had great hopes of carrying one more. Up to a short time ago they believed they would be able to carry both the Democratic districts but the situation had undergone some change and the ninth district was now conceded to the Democrats. He said the French reciprocity treaty was opposed by the people of his state and that the representatives of Massachusetts in Congress would feel compelled to work against its ratification because its provisions would prove seriously injurious to the state.

The latest report from Nebraska are regarded as most interesting and encouraging. It is felt that the Republicans will make practically a clean sweep, notwithstanding the efforts of Mr. Bryan, who is on the stump. It is confidently stated that Representative Burkitt will carry the first district by 3,500 majority, Mercer the second district by not less than a thousand, and McCarthy the third by not less than 600. Secretary Wilson left Washington recently on the invitation of Mr. Mercer and it is reported spoke at Omaha and other points with good effect. It has been the studious effort of the President to render every proper assistance within his power to the Republican candidates throughout the country and between now and election day at least three members of the Cabinet will speak in New York.

According to a recent bulletin issued by the Bureau of Statistics the American make has proved an effective advance agent of American plows and now there is a large and constantly increasing demand for American farm machinery, of various descriptions from South Africa. The importation of farm machinery has increased from $175,985 in 1892 to $1,055,450 in 1902 and with the increased prosperity of South African industries there is opened up a large field for the enterprising American manufacturer.

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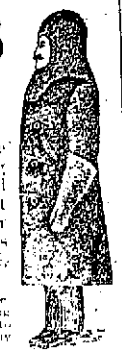

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